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In re application of

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Examiner: B. Forman

For: MICRO ARRAY AND ANALYZING METHOD USING THE SAME

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of one additional month, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of May 9, 2002, from October 9, 2002, to November 9, 2002. As November 9, 2002, falls on a Saturday, the due date for response is automatically extended to Monday, November 11, 2002. And as Monday, November 11, 2002, is a U.S. federal holiday, the due date is automatically extended to Tuesday, November 12, 2002.

Applicants note that a Petition for a two month extension of time was filed on October 9, 2002. Therefore, the present Petition properly requests a third month extension of time and includes a check for the statutory fee of $520.00, which is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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